COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CITIZENS REDISTRICTING COMMISSION (LA County CRC)

CRC MINUTES FOR PUBLIC HEARING NO. 2 AND SPECIAL MEETING: Wednesday, November 17, 2021, 6:30 pm

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Agenda

AGENDA ITEM 1: CALL TO ORDER

Thai V. Le, Los Angeles County Citizens Redistricting Commission (LA County CRC) Clerk, called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. He reviewed the process for the public to select either English or Spanish access to interpreters.

AGENDA ITEM 2: ROLL CALL

LA County CRC's Resolution No. 2021-02 enables the Commission to meet virtually in accordance with Government Code section 54953(e)(3) to extend the time during which the Commission may continue to teleconference its meeting without compliance with paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of section 54953 because of COVID- 19 pandemic and health issues.

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Thai V. Le took roll call. A quorum was present.

Yes	Commissioner Jean Franklin	Yes	Commissioner Priscilla Orpinela-Segura
Yes	Commissioner David Holtzman	Excused	Commissioner Hailes Soto
Yes	Commissioner Mary Kenney	Yes	Commissioner Saira Soto
Yes	Co-Chair Daniel Mayeda	Yes	Commissioner Brian Stecher
Yes	Commissioner Mark Mendoza	Yes	Commissioner John Vento
Yes	Commissioner Apolonio Morales	Yes	Co-Chair Carolyn Williams
Yes	Commissioner Nelson Obregon	Yes	Commissioner Doreena Wong



AGENDA ITEM 3: APPROVAL OF AGENDA – CO-CHAIR CAROLYN WILLIAMS

The agenda was accepted with the removal of Agenda Item 4b, which was redundant with Agenda Item 4a.

4b. Review and Discussion of public input on map options and submitted maps, including Commissioners' observations and suggested modifications, and possible direction to ARCBridge about future map considerations — Co-Chairs Dan Mayeda and Carolyn Williams — removed from the Agenda

AGENDA ITEM 4: ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

<u>4a. Public Hearing on Six DRAFT Maps and Discussion and Potential Direction to ARCBridge/Staff Regarding Map Modifications — Co-Chairs Dan Mayeda and Carolyn Williams</u> — <u>amended Agenda increasing the number of map options from four to six</u>

The maps are posted on the LA County CRC website: https://redistricting.lacounty.gov/. They can also be found on the redistricting hub (https://redistricting-lacounty.hub.arcgis.com/) and linked below:

- Supervisorial District Map A-1
- Supervisorial District Map B-1
- Supervisorial District Map C-1
- Supervisorial District Map D-1
- Supervisorial District Map E
- Supervisorial District Map F

NOTE: Members of the public interested in viewing submitted plans in the redistricting mapping software can follow the instructions in this <u>video</u> once logged into the <u>redistricting mapping software</u>. Viewing the submitted plans in the mapping software allows for a more in-depth exploration of the plans, including identifying specific communities and cities. Members of the public can also use the software to save their own version of the draft maps, make modifications, and submit for the public and Commissioners to view.

Public comment – see recordings on "VIDEO FILE FOR ENTIRE MEETING POSTED" at the start of the minutes:

Speakers frequently cited the "People's Bloc" map, which is now labeled as Map A-1

- 1. Stuart Waldman, VICA wants SFV to be whole with its own SD
- 2. Ariana Rios, East LA, InnerCity Struggle Pro Map A-1
- 3. Steven Ortega, InnerCity Struggle Pro Map A-1
- 4. Diego Rodrigues, Alma Family Services Pro Map A-1



- 5. Waldo Gonzalez, South Whittier (SD 4) Pro Map A-1
- 6. Daniela Hernandez, South Central Pro Map A-1
- 7. Isaias Hernandez, Executive Director, Eastmont Community Center, East LA Pro Map A-1
- 8. Erika Jimenez, InnerCity Struggle, Boyle Heights (SD 1) Pro Map A-1
- 9. Tyler Bonanno-Curley, City of Long Beach, Office of the City Manager Long Beach wants to be in one SD; preserve City of Long Beach's geographic boundaries ("Keep Long Beach Together" coalition)
- 10. Yolanda Rodriguez, Lucha del Pueblo Pro Map A-1
- 11. Ashley Portillo-Baloy, San Gabriel Valley Pro Map A-1
- 12. Jacqueline Calvache, InnerCity Struggle Pro Map A-1
- 13. Sandra Guzman, InnerCity Struggle (Boyle Heights, City Terrace, East LA in SD 1) Pro Map A-1
- 14. Evelyn Zepeda, South LA, Workers United in SD 1; keep NE LA and East LA together who have shared concerns (e.g., COVID-19) Pro Map A-1
- 15. Dyanne Ortiz, InnerCity Struggle Pro Map A-1
- 16. Beatriz Soltero, Lucha del Pueblo, East LA, keep SD 1 together Pro Map A-1
- 17. Councilwoman Lisseth Flores, Southeast LA (SELA) (refer to recording of listing of areas in SELA)
- 18. Dr. Manuel Campa, City Terrace resident, physician at USC Medical Center and Los Angeles County Public Health Pro Map A-1
- 19. Sean Cazares, foothill communities Pro Maps B, A, and F (in that order)
- 20. Blanca Duenas, Lucha del Pueblo, East LA resident Pro Map A-1
- 21. Maru Galvan, CHIRLA, Van Nuys resident, SFV organizer Pro Map C
- 22. Kristi Mai, Pilipino Workers Center, AAPI keep Thai Town, Filipino Town, Korea Town, China Town, etc. together
- 23. Gleam Davis, Santa Monica City Council member, speaking on herself Pro Maps A or D to keep mountains and neighboring cities together
- 24. Jessica Panduro, InnerCity Struggle, Eastside Pro Map A-1
- 25. Carra, Encino, SFV not considered; wants to be kept SFV together
- 26. Dr. Hector Flores, MD, Family Medicine, East LA- Pro Map A-1
- 27. Wendy Ortega, Lynwood, small business owner keep SELA together Pro Map A-1
- 28. Stephanie Medina, keep East LA, City Terrace, Lincoln Heights together in SD 1 Pro Map A-1
- 29. Victor Rivera, Lynwood; keep Lynwood together with SELA Pro Map A-1
- 30. Chris Rowe, West Hills, keep SFV whole Pro Map B-1 for SFV; combine Map B-1 with Map A-1 for SELA
- 31. Josselyn Perez, InnerCity Struggle, East LA Pro Map A-1



- 32. Esthef Solano, InnerCity Struggle, raised in Boyle Heights and East LA; now live in Long Beach– Pro Map A-1
- 33. Cynthia Perez, La Mirada Resident Pro Map A-1
- 34. Ruby Rivera, InnerCity Struggle, Lynwood resident, serves Eastside community Pro Map A-1
- 35. Karen Diaz, CHIRLA, Inglewood Pro Map C-1
- 36. Isabel Gonzalez, Boyle Heights and East LA, immigrant shared concerns Pro Map A-1
- 37. Shekinah Deocares, Filipino Workers Center of Southern California— Pro Map A-1 (oppose Map C-1); keep Asian/AAPI communities together
- 38. Dr. Cynthia L. Stotts, pediatrician, LA County Medical Center Pro Map A-1
- 39. Daniel Jimenez, Lucha de el Pueblo, East LA Pro Map A-1
- 40. Megan Serenity, InnerCity Struggle, Boyle Heights and East LA resident Pro Map A-1
- 41. Michelle Aranda Coss, East LA, Lincoln Heights Pro Map A-1
- 42. Citlaly Perez, InnerCity Struggle, college student Pro Map A-1
- 43. Reyna Cruz, Antelope Valley, CHIRLA Pro Map C-1
- 44. Punnpavin Herabat (Thai Community Development Center (CDC)); speaks for AAPI communities keep AAPI communities whole; share similar concerns as Eastside communities Pro Map A-1
- 45. Sheylla Duran (Duran 2), lived in West Covina, now Long Beach; keep SGV communities intact; foothill communities are different Pro Map A-1
- 46. Maria Brenes, InnerCity Struggle (ICS), Eastside resident Pro Map A-1
- 47. Lisa Lavelle, City Council Member, City of Avalon Pro Map B-1 (Catalina Island/Avalon prefers to be connected with Long Beach)
- 48. Veronica Miranda, La Puente (different from City of Industry) Pro Map C-1
- 49. Gisela Brigido, La Lucha del Pueblo, East LA Pro Map A-1
- 50. Elijah Flores, Boyle Heights in SD 1 Pro Map A-1
- 51. Karla Fernandez, SELA Collaborative, South Gate, Cudahy, Florence-Firestone, and other communities cited in recording Want SELA to be a priority consideration
- 52. Wade Major, City of Malibu, Public Works Commissioner, speaking for himself Map A-1 is problematic ("disastrous") for westside; concerned about fires and Santa Mountains Pro Map B-1
- 53. Edith Aguilar
- 54. Yvonne with LA Voice Organizers, which is also with the People's Bloc Pro Map A-1
- 55. Nick Gaines- Adopt SD-1 and SD-2 in Map A-1 SD 3, SD 4, SD 5 in Map B-1
- 56. Mayor Marisela Santana, City of Lynwood; do not adopt any of the maps as they are
- 57. Austin Galliguez, The Wellness Center Pro Map A-1



- 58. Mirna Romero, Soledad Enrichment Action, East LA and SGV Pro Map A-1
- 59. Arcelia Tavarez, Southern California Crossroads Pro Map A-1
- 60. Osvaldo Dominguez, City Terrace Pro Map A-1
- 61. Ismael Castro
- 62. Eddie De La Riva, City of Maywood do not adopt any of the maps; wants SELA in SD 1
- 63. Reyna Frias, InnerCity Struggle, East LA Pro Map A-1
- 64. Lourdes Saab, SD 1 Pro Map A-1
- 65. David Nazarian, Armenians for Redistricting Equity; advocates keeping Burbank, Glendale, Valley Glen, Van Nuys, Little Armenia, etc. together; will return to another meeting with more input
- 66. Selina Castillo Pro Map A-1
- 67. Paola Estrade, InnerCity Struggle; impact on COVID-19 and gentrification Pro Map A-1
- 68. Jamie Cabrera, Monterey Park Pro Map A-1
- 69. Joy Stallworth, live in Los Angeles Pro Map A-1
- 70. Rosa Soto, People's Bloc made up of 20+ organizations Pro Map A-1
- 71. Tina McKinnor, Deputy Director, LA Voice Pro Map A-1 (keep SELA together)
- 72. Henry Perez, InnerCity Struggle, East LA Pro Map A-1 in SD 1
- 73. Ana Miriam Castro, CHIRLA, Pico Union Pro Map C-1
- 74. Ali Saleh, City of Bell in SELA (keep Bell, Bell Gardens, Cudahy, Walnut Park, etc. together); concerned about how the communities are combined in SELA in SD 1; wants alternative solutions
- 75. Henry Fung, dislikes how Pomona, Torrance, and Long Beach are drawn in Map A-1 Pro Map F
- 76. Susan Petrulas Nissman, born in Monterey Park, now Topanga, environmentalist Opposes Map A-1 leave Hidden Hills and other COIs of Santa Monica Mountains Pro Map B-1
- 77. Jeanette Flores, Covina, Charter Oaks School District Map A-1
- 78. Carlos Leon, Community Coalition, East LA Map A-1
- 79. Anna Parra, LAC+USC Medical Center Foundation, Eastside
- 80. Constance Sullivan, Palos Verdes Democrats, South Bay, Torrance Map A-1 makes no sense; South Bay is not like SFV; Torrance is split from the South Bay Pro Map B-1
- 81. Argelia Garcia, InnerCity Struggle Pro Map A-1
- 82. Joseph Roth, Westside, Westside NC Pro Map B-1 (could support other maps if the borders were adjusted; opposes to Maps C-1 and F)
- 83. Jonathan Herrera, Bell Gardens, keep SELA together in SD 1
- 84. Oscar Flores, City of Lynwood Council Member; keep SELA together



- 85. Danny Zamora, Southern California Crossroads, resident in Northeast LA, work in East LA and SGV Pro Map A-1
- 86. Edie Abrams, People's Bloc; wants to maintain Black SD 2; represent AAPI communities Pro Map A-1
- 87. John Mendoza, Pomona
- 88. John Torres, East LA, hired to provide services for Supervisor Solis Pro Map A-1
- 89. Vice Mayor Oralia Rebollo, City of Commerce, SELA in SD 1 does not like any of the maps
- 90. Michelle Benavides Pro Map A-1
- 91. Lucy Herrera, Boyle Heights, work in youth development and advocacy Pro Map A-1
- 92. Perla Rivera Ramirez, Lynwood, schoolteacher Pro Map A-1

After the Commissioners listened to public comments, they identified their top 2 map preferences (marked as "1"), including potential contenders (X) and the addition of other maps submitted (OP 044, OP 051, and OP 053). At the time of the meeting, 56 maps had been submitted to the LA County CRC map hub.

Last Name	First Name	A1	B1	C1	D1	E	F	OP 044	OP 051	OP 053
Franklin	Jean		1	1			Х			
Holtzman	David									1
Kenney	Mary		1		1					
Mayeda	Daniel					1	1			
Mendoza	Mark T.	1	1							
Morales	Apolonio	Х		1			1			
Obregon	Nelson	1								
Orpinela-Segura	Priscilla	1					1		= == === == == == == == == == == == ==	
Soto	Saira G.	1		Х			1			
Soto	Hailes									
Stecher	Brian		1		Х		1	Х		
Vento	John		1			Х	1			
Williams	Carolyn	1				1	Χ			
Wong	Doreena P.			1		1			Х	
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The Commissioners discussed the rationale for their choices. The Commissioners considered possible motions to consolidate or eliminate some of the map options, but no official motions were made.



They explored the possibility of forming Ad Hoc Working Groups to work on the maps but could not reach agreement on what that approach might entail. They decided to have that issue added to the agenda for the next meeting on Monday, November 22, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. That meeting is a special meeting

There was a motion made and seconded to table this Agenda item until the next meeting on Monday, November 22, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. The motion passed.

Motion Made:	Commissioner David Holtzman
Motion Seconded:	Commissioner Doreena Wong
Outcome:	Approved

No	Commissioner Jean Franklin	Yes	Commissioner Priscilla Orpinela-Segura
Yes	Commissioner David Holtzman	Excused	Commissioner Hailes Soto
Yes	Commissioner Mary Kenney	Yes	Commissioner Saira Soto
Yes	Co-Chair Daniel Mayeda	Yes	Commissioner Brian Stecher
Yes	Commissioner Mark Mendoza	Yes	Commissioner John Vento
Yes	Commissioner Apolonio Morales	No	Co-Chair Carolyn Williams
Yes	Commissioner Nelson Obregon	Yes	Commissioner Doreena Wong

Commissioner Brian Stecher requested that the Executive Director Gayla Kraetsch Hartsough share the table of their "top 2" map options with the Commissioners and send a reminder to the Commissioners to come prepared with a list of desired map modifications for the next meeting. She indicated that she would email the table of their "top 2" map options to them and would include them in the minutes (this document).

<u>4c. Consider Adopting Resolution Authorizing the Continuation of Hybrid and Fully Teleconferenced Meetings of the Commission for a 30-Day Period—Co-Chair Carolyn Williams and Co-Chair Daniel Mayeda</u>

Holly Whatley, Independent Legal Counsel to the LA County CRC, presented her Staff Report. Recently passed legislation allows legislative bodies to continue to conduct teleconference meetings after September 30 if certain criteria are met and findings made.

- The LA County CRC adopted the formal Resolution No. 2021-01 on September 29, 2021, to conduct its meetings virtually within the following 30 days. Resolution No. 2021-1 expired on October 29, 2021.
- The LA County CRC adopted the formal Resolution No. 2021-02 on October 27, 2021, to conduct its meetings virtually within the following 30 days. Resolution No. 2021-01 expired on November 27, 2021.

The LA County CRC needs to re-adopt such findings at least every 30 days to enable the resolution to continue in effect because of health and safety issues.



Such extension of Resolution No. 2021-03 would permit the LA County CRC to conduct its public hearings virtually from November 17, 2021, through December 17, 2021.

A motion was made and seconded to adopt Resolution No. 2021-03. The motion passed.

Motion Made:	Commissioner David Holtzman
Motion Seconded:	Commissioner Mark Mendoza
Outcome:	Approved

Yes	Commissioner Jean Franklin	Yes	Commissioner Priscilla Orpinela-Segura
Yes	Commissioner David Holtzman	Excused	Commissioner Hailes Soto
NA	Commissioner Mary Kenney	Yes	Commissioner Saira Soto
Yes	Co-Chair Daniel Mayeda	Yes	Commissioner Brian Stecher
Yes	Commissioner Mark Mendoza	Yes	Commissioner John Vento
Yes	Commissioner Apolonio Morales	Yes	Co-Chair Carolyn Williams
Yes	Commissioner Nelson Obregon	Yes	Commissioner Doreena Wong

AGENDA ITEM 5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – GAYLA KRAETSCH HARTSOUGH, PH.D.

Executive Director Gayla Kraetsch Hartsough acknowledged the Co-Chairs and many Commissioners who have volunteered their time to do presentations before various groups, including Commissioner Saira Soto before the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce this week.

Co-Chair Carolyn Williams had a radio interview on redistricting on:

- KPWR-FM / KDAY-FM with Cece: https://vimeo.com/645389464/adb774801a
- KPWR-FM / KDAY-FM with Teddy: https://vimeo.com/645389651/1ad89a1148

Co-Chair Dan Mayeda will be interviewed by KIRN radio (Farsi) this week.

The ads on LA County CRC continue to be in the media. Articles citing the LA County CRC are posted at: https://redistricting.lacounty.gov/redistricting-news/





She reminded the public about the upcoming special meeting and Public Hearing Nos. 3 and 4:

- 1. Mon., Nov 22 at 7p Special Meeting
- 2. Wed., Dec. 1 at 6:30p Public Hearing No. 3/ Special Meeting
- 3. Tues., Dec. 7 at 6:30p Public Hearing No. 4 (Day 30)

Note for Public Hearings: Public must sign up in the QA by 8:00 p.m. to make oral public comments

AGENDA ITEM 6. ADJOURNMENT – CO-CHAIR DANIEL MAYEDA

Co-Chair Mayeda adjourned the meeting at 10:45 p.m.

To sign up for receiving future LA County CRC notices, go to: redistricting.lacounty.gov

To submit input to the public hearings, including signing up for speaking before the Commission, go to: https://forms.gle/2SDZSxEuKNZ3ZU1KA

